

**Manitowoc County
Veterans Service Commission Minutes
May 11, 2021**

Meeting of the Commission called to order by Mike Demske at 9:34 a.m. in Conference Room 110 in the Manitowoc County Heritage Complex, 1701 Michigan Ave. We are in compliance with the open meeting law.

Present: Mike Demske, Tom Hoffman and Kurt Carlson - Commission Members.

Minutes of _04/13/21_ Meeting read. Motion made by Tom Hoffman, seconded by Kurt Carlson to accept minutes. Motion carried.

Public Input: Ashley Smits of The Manitowoc County Veterans discussed the group, noted when the next gathering is (May 25th, 2021 @ the Am Vets Building) as well as explained what the group is and the goals – which are Veteran Camaraderie and Fellowship.

Motion made by Mike Demske, seconded by Tom Hoffman, to go into closed session as per 19.85 (1) (f). The purpose of the meeting is to review the applications received the prior month; interview applicants for financial aid to determine if the need requirement is met; deny or approve such application; and if approved, determine the amount of aid to be given the applicant.

Roll call on motion: All members voted affirmative. Motion carried. Yes

Emergency Applications and Requests made since last Commission Meeting:

<u>Request</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Approved</u>
NONE		

Cards issued since 13 April 2021 Commission Meeting: 0X \$50 Grocery & 0X \$25 Gas

Relief Balance as of May 10, 2021: \$13,810.56

After meeting with applicants, the Commission GRANTED assistance for the following purposes:

<u>Request</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
NONE		

Motion made by Tom Hoffman, seconded by Mike Demske, to reconvene in open session. Motion carried.

Discussion: A trip to the Highgrounds on Wednesday August 11th, 2021 was discussed the trip is planned to leave around 0700 and return around 6pm. The cost is \$35 per person which includes lunch. This trip is open to the public.

The monthly Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Organization's monthly breakfast was discussed. The gathering is the 1st Tuesday of each month and happens at 9:30am. The gathering alternates between Four Seasons Family Restaurant and Fork and Knife Restaurant both in Manitowoc.

The "Soup for Vets" hosted by the Manitowoc Elks was discussed on when it will begin again. The answer is – likely Fall at the earliest.

The Commission meeting dates are: SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

Motion made by Tom Hoffman, seconded by Kurt Carlson, to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 10:31 A.M.